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STANHOPE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

**Minutes: Regular Meeting
April 11, 2019**

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MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: at 7:40PM by Chairman John Rogalo with flag salute.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE: In compliance with the New Jersey Assembly Bill No. 1030, notice for this meeting was sent to the *New Jersey Herald* and the *Daily Record* on January 10, 2019 and was posted on the bulletin board in the municipal building on the same day.

ROLL CALL: Present: Owen Newson, John Rogalo, Anthony Riccardi,
Nicole Member (8:20PM)
Absent: Mike Balogh

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

March 14, 2019 minutes were approved. Motion made by Anthony Riccardi and seconded by John Rogalo. (UC)

OPEN PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

None

CORRESPONDENCE:

Received:

Spring 2019: *Skylands Visitor* magazine

3/28/19 Stanhope Public School: Arbor Day tree planting invitation

4/4/19 E-mail: Musconetcong Watershed Association: Stanhope Day

Sent:

3/17/19 E-mail: Sierra Club: Invitation to Clean Communities Day

CURRENT ACTIVITY:

Oath of Allegiance and Office:

Nicole Member completed The Oath of Allegiance and Office and continues her service on the EC for another term.

Clean Communities: 4/28/2019 12:30 - 3:30

To advertise Clean Communities Day, Owen will complete and turn in the forms for a Nixle announcement and the use of the borough electric sign. Also, Owen will remind Mike to contact the Valley Road School so that they might send a notice home with students. Nicole stated she has sent notification letters to borough non-profits: Boy Scouts,

CURRENT ACTIVITY: (cont.)

Go Green Club, Fire Dept., Ambulance squad, Lutheran church, Presbyterian Church, and the Buddhist Temple.

Also, Nicole reported that she has proposed that Rizzo Wildlife present a program at the Valley Road School. They will give two presentations from 9-10AM and 10-11AM at the cost of \$775 which will be paid for through Clean Communities funds. The borough Finance Committee must approve the cost of the program first.

Facebook: Topic for the Month: The same announcement as last month will remain for April: EC's Clean Communities Day.

Open Space Plan Committee: No movement

Trail Maintenance: Due to time constraints, John was unable to complete the ANJEC trail maintenance grant. Owen will check with Mike to see if he can complete it before the April 15th deadline.

Stanhope Day Festival: 6/9/19

Owen will get a copy of the borough trail map for Anthony so he can make copies. Copies will be distributed on Stanhope Day. Owen stated that the EC will need a sign posted at our Stanhope Day table to advertise the canal walk. We will also need a sign-up sheet for those who want to attend. John stated that we should display the two big poster maps of the borough, kept in borough hall, for Stanhope Day.

OLD BUSINESS:

Lakeside Park plantings: No movement.

Furnace Pond Trails/DEP approval: Anthony suggested that Owen and John attend the next council meeting (Tuesday, April 23rd) to help him remind Mayor and Council of the Furnace Pond project and the need for action by the Lake Hopatcong Superintendent.

Invasive Plant Species workshop: No movement.

Lutheran Church easement: No movement.

2018 Annual Report: The EC 2018 Annual Report was approved. Motion made by John Rogalo and seconded by Anthony Riccardi. (UC)

NEW BUSINESS:

None

BILLS:

None

LIAISON REPORTS:

Board of Health: Minutes of Feb. 13, and March 13, 2019 were reviewed/no comment

Mayor and Council: Anthony reported that Hopatcong wants to place a relay antenna on the Stanhope Water Tower. This will be permitted by Stanhope if Hopatcong provides free animal control services.

Lake Musconetcong Planning Board:

Land Use Board:

Musconetcong Foundrymen Historical Society:

Musconetcong Sewage Authority:

Recreation Commission:

Shade Tree Commission:

Plaster Mill: Anthony stated that borough engineer Keller received a letter back from the state regarding Stanhope's request to de-list the Plaster Mill. The state requests more information and photographs of the Plaster Mill to facilitate a decision.

Water Quality:

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:03PM with a motion by Owen Newson and a second by Anthony Riccardi. (UC)

Respectfully submitted,
Owen Newson, Secretary

